## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants are submitting herewith Form PTO/SB/08a listing references which the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and make of record in this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the filing date, but before mailing of the first Official Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114. Thus, it is believed by the undersigned attorney that no fee is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(4).

This submission is not an admission that the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a constitute prior art against the claims of this application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to confirm receipt and consideration of the cited references by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO/SB/08a in accordance with MPEP \$609.

In the event that any fee is required in connection with this submission and not enclosed, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to the account of the undersigned attorneys, Account No. 04-1406.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **Enclosures:**

- Form PTO/SB/08a
- Copy of non-patent references